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In Room 20, Building 13, on 10 July 1951, research in SI was continued.

[REDACTED] had been induced into SI deeply approximately one month prior to this visit. At that time the suggestion was given and a cue used for future induction. [REDACTED] accompanied [REDACTED] merely to observe and expressed an interest in our work. [REDACTED] when given the cue, went immediately into SI. The state was deepened. The operator noted that the scene had affected [REDACTED] greatly. Using an object (fountain pen), the visual gaze method was used on [REDACTED] and she too went immediately into SI within a matter of one minute or less. The state was deepened by more suggestion and the post HI suggestion [REDACTED] was given. [REDACTED] then and using the cue went again immediately into SI. A test for rigidity was given and Subject was awakened. This again would indicate that association with the technique will make a new subject more susceptible and easier to accept SI suggestions.

[REDACTED] both are considered excellent subjects and were given various tests to determine the depth and were awakened.

To keep interest high, all subjects were asked to enter into a very informal discussion and that the operator would be very glad to answer any questions that came up. As has always been the policy, subjects are kept as completely informed as possible as to their progress and what vaguely we are attempting to accomplish in this experimentation. Subjects are continually reminded that our desire is also to make them feel that they too are learning and benefiting from the experimentation.

[REDACTED] were chosen for further tests for opening eyes, speaking regression and post SI suggestions requiring more effort than in past sittings. Both were again taken into a deep state of SI and [REDACTED] was asked to continue motionless while the operator experimented further with [REDACTED]. At this point, [REDACTED] was told that she could open her eyes and see objects as clearly as when awake, except that she would not see [REDACTED] sitting directly in front of her. [REDACTED] then opened her eyes. Her facial expression changed and appeared more natural. She was asked to count the number of people inside the room (4) including herself. She replied that there were three people. She could not see [REDACTED] and when asked who sat in

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the chair occupied by [REDACTED] she remarked, "There is no one sitting there". It was noted that the subject would assume an appearance that differed very little than that of the waking state. Complete amnesia was in evidence for the entire sequence. [REDACTED] was then (still under SI) asked to perform the same task and did so perfectly. In fact, her appearance was so normal that the operator suspected in one instance that she had awakened. This was in error. She performed everything suggested completely normally while still under SI. She was then awakened and had complete amnesia including the time that she appeared to be awake.

[REDACTED] had been witnessing all the above testing. At this time, the operator felt that subjects were all having complete amnesia and felt also that more definite testing should be done. Subjects were told in advance exactly what the operator would have the subject do and that a tape recording would be made simultaneously. All three were then put into deep SI and each given a post SI suggestion to perform and told that each would have total amnesia for the entire event upon awakening. All were then awakened. [REDACTED] immediately stated that she was very thirsty and was going for a drink of water. She immediately returned (as instructed under SI). [REDACTED] asked that the recording just made be played immediately (the post SI given), that she would like to hear it. [REDACTED] stood up, stretched, yawned, shook herself remarking, "Gee, I feel fine", (this was her post SI). The recording was then played and the three stated that even after hearing the recording, all had absolute amnesia for everything except being told to go to sleep.

The most peculiar highlight was when [REDACTED] was induced to a deep state and regressed approximately one month by being instructed that she was now on her vacation in Florida. At this point, she was asked to tell exactly what she was doing. She was instructed that she could speak clearly and act completely normal, but to remain asleep. [REDACTED] then began to describe in detail the incident she was apparently reliving. She described being on a surf board in the Gulf of Mexico, that a tropical storm had just

subsided, that the waves were still very high, the color of her bathing suit, the color of her friend's bathing suit, the fact that she fell into the water, got a mouth full of salt water, decided to take a sun bath. She was then told she would have complete amnesia. Upon awakening, she remembered nothing. The recording was then played to her and she still had no memory of anything that happened. She then stated that she had never ridden a surf board. When asked in a waking state why she had relived an experience that never happened, she was unable to answer. Future tests will be directed in obtaining the truth of this incident. It is believed by the operator that she will be unable to give anything but the truth if so instructed.